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ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

**A very important activity on October 24, 2009 for the Virginia Chapter.
It will be of even greater interest to Northern Virginia Members**

Greetings Virginia Chapter members,

At the Warrenton/Fauquier Airport, the Collins Foundation will have a B-17, a B-24 and a P-51 on display for both walk through inspections and air rides. We have been invited to spend some time there. It has been decided by your Chapter Board to incorporate Saturday the 24th into a general membership meeting and luncheon.

Our meeting will be in one end of a hangar that is being reserved for us by Wells Fargo. They are hosting this event and would like some of us to answer questions from the public. Lunch will be available from the proprietor of "Smokey Joe's" Café. He will have his portable facilities on the premises. Both BBQ pork and chicken sandwiches can be purchased and then eaten at table they will have set aside for us.

David Fields, the Wells Fargo representative, would like it if a few of us could each give a short talk about our part in the 8th AF. It is expected that there will be families present. No doubt this means children of school age would get to see and hear "real live Vets" from a war that probably cannot be covered in their schools in this way. We Vets could and should bring our children and grandchildren so they can see and touch these planes. (Actually they should probably "bring" us.) Us old Vets should not let this once in a lifetime opportunity pass us by!

The Warrenton/Fauquier Airport is located off Rt. 28 in the Catlett area. From Northern VA use Rt. 66 exit 44 onto 234 bypass. Follow 4.5 miles, exit onto Rt. 28 South (Nokesville Rd.). Continue 15.5 miles turn left onto Germantown Rd. (see silo painted like ear of corn). One mile to Airport on right.

From Richmond North on 95 to exit 133 (Rt. 17 towards Warrenton) Continue on 17 about 25 miles to right on Rt. 28 for 3.1 miles to right onto Germantown Rd. (see silo painted like ear of corn). Follow one mile to Airport on right.

If you get lost or need help, call me on my cell phone 703-577-9098.

Each of you planning to go should let me know so I can pass it on to the Wells Fargo rep. and to "Smokey Joe". My number is 703-631-0510.

Cordially,

Lew

P.S. As you know the Chapter has a new web site of which we are very proud. If you wish to log on, it is www.8thaf-virginia.org. LB